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In re Application of:

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Examiner:

Group Art Unit:

Divisional Application of U.S. Application No. 09/761,371, filed January 16, 2001,
which is a Divisional Application of U.S. Application No. 09/071,263, filed May 1,
1998, issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,228,133.

For: ABRASIVE ARTICLES HAVING ABRASIVE LAYER BOND SYSTEM
DERIVED FROM SOLID, DRY-COATED BINDER PRECURSOR
PARTICLES HAVING A FUSIBLE, RADIATION CURABLE
COMPONENT



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56 and §1.97-1.98, enclosed please find a completed Form PTO-1449, citing references for consideration by the Examiner during examination of the above-referenced patent application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of these references are not enclosed as they can be found in the prior, related applications: U.S. Application No. 09/071,263, filed May 1, 1998; and U.S. Application No. 09/761,371, filed January 16, 2001.

Applicants request consideration of these references by the Examiner in regard to the present application, and that the Examiner initial and return the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

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